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Thinking Out Loud

By H. M. L.

Reading the commentators and listening to them one, gradually comes to the conclusion that they are doing a lot of guessing, some of them guess better than others, but certainly none of them are infallible prophets and we need feel no special reverence for them. They guess what Russia will do. They guess about peace terms. They guess about the battle in Tunisia, and about world aviation when the war is over. One is struck however by their practical unanimity regarding the end of the war. So far we have heard no one predict the war would be over this year.

The truth is of course, that there are two wars, one in the Pacific and another across the Atlantic reaching into the Mediterranean. Lately at least we have heard or read no one who commented on certain factors in this war which are much the same as the last war on the Atlantic side.

Yet this is interesting. In World War No. 1, the United States entered the arena when both combattants were tired. Germany and Austria were beginning to feel the pinch of hunger, munitions were running low, industrial manpower had diminished as men were drawn into the army. England had probably not reached its peak in man power either in the military or industrial field, but the people of England were extremely tired and worn, and France was almost exhausted. The United States shipped two million men to France and had another two million getting ready to go. Germany's submarine campaign began to fail very shortly after the United States navy began working on it in the North Sea.

If it were possible that the three Axis powers could unite their forces, if it were possible that Japan, for instance, could augment the forces of Germany and Italy, and carry one as a single unit there would be one war. But as a matter of fact, this general assumption of one war, except on ideological grounds, is faulty. The United States is fighting two wars, England is fighting two wars, with all the emphasis placed in the European or Atlantic theatre, but Germany, Italy, Japan, China and Russia are each fighting one war. Russia and Japan are at peace and from present indications are likely to remain that way.

So coming back to our comparison of this war with the last, we find in the Atlantic conditions that in many respects approximate those of 1918. Germany has suffered tremendous losses in manpower, far greater than anything in war No. 1. Her industrial facilities, we know have suffered hugely due to constant air attacks. Her communications, railroads, canals, and highways have taken a terrific beating and have long since ceased to be the efficient machine of three and half years ago. We have perhaps a million troops in England, Ireland, and Africa, and they are just beginning to throw their weight about, as the English say. We are training millions more. Our navy is bigger and better than ecer before in history, far better, in fact than it was before Pearl Harbor.

Just as there was in 1918 so there are now plenty of signs of German weariness. Their great military machine is rolling back out of Russia. Internal dissension and in some places, despair, are revealed in Germany's own broadcasts. The threat to conscript men in the conquered populations in Europe for service in Germany's armed forces, is probably just a Hitler threat, because it is doubtful if they would dare arm enemy populations. But it does indicate a certain degeneration of Nazi ideals, or degradation of the pure Aryan philosophy.

In the matter of magnitude, of course, the numbers involved in

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POULTRY AND GARDEN RALLY AT HI SATURDAY

Victory gardeners, poultry raisers, and all those interested in conserving the precious food resources of the United States are invited to attend the garden and poultry rally in the Nevada City high school auditorium Saturday evening at 7:30 p. m. There is no admission charge.

A two hour program has been planned to aid the people of this community in their plans to answer the call of the government to enlist for the battle on the food front.

Information will be given through lectures, exhibits, demonstrations and colored slides. Two experts from the University of California Agricultural College at Davis will lecture on their specialties. V. S. Asmundson, professor o poultry husbandry will speak on "Backyard Poultry Management" and Charles M. Rick, truck crop specialist will talk on "Home Vegetable Garden Management."

Of special interest to those who plan to presedve food will be the displays of locally canned fruits and vegetables and a display of dehydrators and dehydrated fruits and vegetables which will be shown through the efforts of Mrs. Howard Sturtevant and committee.

In addition a nutrition display which will be of help in evaluating the worth of various goods has been prepared by Alicia Allen, home economics teacher, and Mrs. Isabel Hefelfinger, school nurse.

Hilman Kjorlie, superintendent of Nevada City school district, hopes to follow the rally with night school classes in gardening and poultry management and an all day demonstration of dehydration, pressure cooker and other methods of preserving foods. These will be scheduled later.

It is hoped that the results of the rally will better the changes for successful gardens and help Nevada City and the surrounding districts to supplement the limited production of vegetables which is expected this year.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY

The Nevada City Garden club will hold its first meeting of the year in the home of Mrs. Arthur W. Hoge, Tuesday, March 9, at 2:30 p. m. Due to the great need of a larger food supply, it is announced that major discussions this season will be on vegetable gardens, planting, cultivation and processing the products.

While the emphasis will be placed on vegetables, flowers will not be neglected, and the usual garden tours will be planned. Anyone interested in gardening who enjoys exchange of information and ideas, or who feels in need of help or advice is cordially invited to attend the meetings. Mrs. Hoge lives at 509 Pine street.

AMERICAN ONCE HELD PRISONER TO TALK HERE

Ivan Jacobson, graduate of the University of Washington, who obtained a fellowship and was studying in the University of Oslo, Norway, when the German invasion occured, will tell of his experiences in a free lecture in the auditorium of the elementary school of this city, next Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m.

H. E. Kjorlie, superintendent of the Nevada City Unified school district, in making the announcement, stated that Jacobson, when the Germans entered, left the school and became an employe of the American consul in Oslo. Despite that he was arrested and imprisoned for six months before he was finally released and permitted to leave the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gwin have moved from Ft. Miley to Big Bend to stay for a while. Their son, John, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith. Mr. Gwin formerly executive assistant in the local Tahoe National Forest service office, is making good headway in recovering from a severe illness.

RECORDS BROKEN IN SURGICAL DRESSING OUTPUT

Mrs. Alvin Walthers w,ho is in charge of the workers engaged in making surgical dressings, reports that February, a short month, was a record breaker, so far as work accomplished. There were 126 workers, at various times during the month and they put in 129 3-4 working hours.

There were 2800 4x8 surgical dressings made and 21,570 of the 2x2 size. This made a grand total of 24,370 the greatesti number made in any one month, since the work began in December.

Monda night a class for the school teachers was opened, but as many of them found it inconvenient to attend at that time, therefore instead of having the rooms open from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. on Monday they will be open all day Mondays from 10:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m.

Doors are open from 10:00 a. m. until 3:00 p. m. daily and on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. On Saturday mornings the doors are open from 9:00 a. m. until noon for the high school girls.

The demand is so great for surgical dressings the committee urgently requests every one to put in as many hours of work as possible.

AFRICAN TRIBAL SWORD TO FIGHT IN SOUTH SEAS

Another consignment of knives for the use of soldiers and marines in their battles against the Jap in the South Pacific islands jungles, will leave presently for delivery in Sacramento, where they will be forwarded for shipment to Australia and way points.

The last additions to the collection begun by Chief of Police Max Solaro, are a hunting knife given by Herbert Hallett, superintendent of streets, and a swod donated by Mrs. Fred F. Cassidy. The sword is that of an African chief, with an elaborately decorated leather scabbard in barbaric patterns, both apparently made by tribal artisans.

CIVIC CLUB ANNUAL DINNER HELD TONIGHT

The postponed "Husband's Night Dinner" of the Nevada City Woman's Civic Club will be held Thursday evening March 4th at 6 o'clock at the Nevada City grammar school. Elmer Stevens of Grass Valley will be the guest speaker. There will also be musical numbers by Mr. Miller, Mrs. Charles Elliott and Mr. Geist. Games and a social time will be enjoyed. Husbands of members will be the honored guests of the evening but in lieu of a husband a member may invite another guest.

U. OF C. SHIPS SEEDS TO RUSSIA

Immediately following Russian reoccupation of farm land in the Donets Basin and the Caucasus, and the British, American and free French's invastion of North Africa, local farmers moved into cultivate and plant their native soil. This brought about an increased demand for seeds and America was asked to provide all she could spare. Price support programs to encourage increased seed production were announced. A review of recent lend-lease purchases discloses that California grown seeds, including peas, beets, carrots, beans, onions, cabbage, cauliflower, pumpkin, and squash, are on their way to rehabilitate the lands of our allies. Recleaned grain seed sufficient to plant 4,000 acres was recently shipped to Russia from the University of California.

Plans are complete for a most enjoyable evening in the local Elks Hall Saturday evening, March 6th, which is to be ladies night. Army officers and their wives from the twin cities have been invited to attend.

HER BIT

The picture above is of Bonnie Mary Bein, five years old, intent on her Red Cross knitting. It was taken by her father, Hugh H. Bein, and entered in the Red Cross Photo contest for December, it was one of 33 others that each won a $25 special prize.

Courtesy Sacramento Bee.

LEGISLATURE TO RECONVENE MONDAY, MAR. 8

By CLEM WHITAKER

With tax reduction, post war planning, state guard reorganization and other war emergency proposals shaping as headline issues, the 1943 state legislature will reconvene at Sacramento next Monday, March 8, after a 36 day recess, with Governor Warren's $464,000,000 biennial budget as a first order of business and with approximately 3,000 bills on the legislative calendar.

Paving the way for rapid fire action on the state budget, pre-session budget hearings were inaugurated this week by Assemblyman Albert C. Wollenberg, chairman of the Joint Budget Commiteee of the two houses. The Warren budget represents a slash of $64,000,000 in state expenditures for the two year period, as compared to costs during the last two years of the Olson administration.

Early action on tax reduction proposals also is foreshadowed as Governor Warren's Tax Committee is now completing its work and plans to render its report to the legislature not later than March 15. This committee, in addition to recommending definite tax cuts, is also expected to make suggestions for conserving part of the present huge state surplus as an umbrella against a rainy day. Specifically, it is anticipated that the committee will recommend "freezinz" part of the treasury surplus for post war construction of the roads, public buildings and other projects which will help to provide employment during the change over from war to peace time production.

State Guard reorganization proposals are scheduled to be submitted to the legislature as soon as Adjutant General Ray Hays has filed his recommendations with the governor. During the legislative recess, Hays, who was only recently named to head the guard, has conducted a survey and started a preliminary shakeup by retiring a number of officers who were commissioned during the Olson regime. In addition to presenting plans for revamping the State Guard along strict military lines, the new Adjutant General is also expected to recommend the creation of a Home Guard whose members would serve solely in their home communities.

Scores of post war planning bills, designed to cushion the economic shock when war factories suddenly shut down and when troops start to return to civilian life, are on the legislative docket, ranging from a $70,000,000 highway building program to measures intended to protect ex-soldiers from having to join unions to get employment.

Bills to reorganize state government; bills to abolish the "gin marriage law" and bills to liberalize divorce statutes; bills dealing with the manpower problem and scores of measures dealing with labor relations—such are some of the other proposals awaiting consideration. But all told there are 1,000 less bills this session than in most pre-war sessions.

Double Last Year's Quota To Meet Red Cross Needs

Throughout the city neighborhood committes this week are making a door to door visit on behalf of the Red Cross drive for $5,100 in Nevada City and vicinity. To raise that amount of money it is estimated that all those who gave last year's quota will need this year to double, triple and in some cases quadruple the amount of their contributoins. Nevada City has an honorable reputation of "coming through" with it's Red Cross quota. The national campaign seeks to raise $125,000,000. The campaign committee believes that Nevada City will again do its part.

Nevada City and vicinity, including Truckee, the area now actively engaged in the Red Cross War Fund Drive has contributed largely and also specifically to the personnel of the defense of our country.

It is estimated that about 450 have answered to the colors in the several branches of the service, land and sea and air, with representatives on every active front. This estimate does not include Grass Valley and the southern section of the county.

Featuring special war time services may be mentioned Nancy Jones, volunteer who has served with the ARC in the British Isles for more than two years. More recent volunteers are Miss Eleanor Schreiber, serving with the Waves and 2nd Lieutenant Nathale Worthley a nurse in the army.

Unfortunately some of our service men are known to be Japanese prisoners of war, among them, Robert Protor of Nevada City and also Capt. Thomas Shone of Boca, also several of our esteemed fellow citizens are likewise imprisoned.

Two of our fine young air men have given their all on our defense, Lieutenants Tevis Ferguson and William Bennett both lost their lives in the South Pacific. This is a sorrow we share, one and all.

We now have an opportunity to show our appreciation of the service and sacrifice of these several hundred youths who have left home, the family and friends to keep the enemy from our shores, by subscribing most liberally to the War Fund Drive.

Let us give to the utmost, that through the far reaching agencies of the American Red Cross our young friends, neighbors and defenders may be given comfort and cheer and a better chance to return to a secured homeland.

Mrs. Bessie Handy Dies of Heart Attack

Saying: "I feel very ill," Mrs. Bessie Handy of this city slumped in her chair in the waiting room of Dr. C. P. Jones. Dr. Orrin Fry, associated with Dr. Jones, was approaching her at the moment. Every resource of the two physicians failed to revive her. She died as she uttered the words, of an acute heart attack.

Mrs. Handy was reared in Iowa Hill and Colfax, but for the last 42 years has resided in this city. Surviving her are her husband Wesley Handy, three daughters, Mrs. Blanche Johnson of Rio Oso, Mrs. Nell Poor of Browns Valley and Mrs. Marjorie McCarthy of Sacramento, and two sons, Pvt. William J. Handy of the U. S. Army, Wesley D. Handy of the U. S. Navy.

Hooper and Weaver Mortuary will announce funeral arrangements.

Truckee High Robbed of Three Typewriters

Thieves entered the high school in Truckee through a transom and made off with three typewriters. Deputy Sreriff W. J. O'Hara was called from the sheriff's office and together with Deputy Sheriff Tom Dolley of Truckee several fiuger prints were taken. O'Hara is uncertain whether the thieves were boys or a small man, as the transom would not permit entrance of a large burglar. A fourth typewriter had been dumped out of a window, but when it hit the ground it broke. It was left there. The officers state they have no clues to the burglar or burglars.

GIFTS FROM THE SOUTH SEAS

Mrs. Joe Farnsworth of this city received a choice box of souvenirs from her son, Elwood Farnsworth, first class pharmisist mate in the U. S. Navy. The gifts are from Samoa and consist of cocoa tree fibre suits, beads, shells, bracelet and ring of palm tree wood and large rug of palm fibre. He has been in service a little over three years, some of this time in the Solomons area.

Mrs. H. P. Davis Hears From Daughter in Holland

Mrs. H. P. Davis of Park avenue is very happy and much relieved to learn her daughter and family in Holland are safe and well. She sent an inquiry through the American Red Cross on April 21, 1942 and the return came on February 28, 1943. The message which is on display in the Nugget office window is in the handwriting of Mrs. Davis' daughter and says:

"Johnny and Sonja in school, third and second grades. Michael and adorable Ellen still home. Maurita busy, me too. Whole family fine though dreading the winter." Dated September 13, 1942, and signature, Elsa Van Hall..

Mrs. Davis states this is evidence that messages are carried through the American Red Cross to relatives in war torn countries under domination of the enemy.

Red Cross Chairman in Grass Valley Asks Generosity

J. E. Keegan, c.hairman of the Red Cross War Fund drive in Grass Valley which seeks to raise a quota of $10,200, said yesterday that to the best of his knowledge this was the only Red Cross drive scheduled for this year.

"That $10,200 must be raised," declared Keegan. "There are no ifs, ands or buts about it. Every community in the nation faces its biggest Red Cross appeal in history, and from early reports many of these communities are ahead of us.

"We will have to dig and dig deep, giving more than we possibly intended originally. The success of the Red Cross in this drive means much regarding whether we win this war or lose it. We can' afford to lose. It is up to every individual to see that he manfully shoulders his part of the Red Cross responsibility."

Committment Service for Late John O'Donnell

Commitment services for the late John O'Donnell, who passed away in San Francisco, were held Monday in the Catholic cemetery here.

The deceased was the son of the late Daniel and Hannah O'Donnell pioneer residents of Gold Flat. Many years of his life were spent as a miner in this vicinity and in Nevada. He is survived by two sisters, Miss Katherine O'Donnell and Mrs. Margaret Olliver.

The services were directed by the Holmes Funeral Home. The Rev. Father O'Reilly officiated.

Court of Honor Held for Nevada City Troops

A court of honor held for Troops No. 6 and 24 of the Boy Scouts in the Scourt Lodge at Pioneers park reviewed 14 miles hikes of a number of the members starting from Big Bend, and included awards of badges and promotions in rank.

Dr. C. W. Chapman, A. S. Bates and Richard Rafferty made the awards. The two troops are sponsored by the Native Sons of the Golden West, Hydraulic Parlor and by the Nevada City Rotary club. Lloyd Geist, district commissioner for Tahoe Area council, presided.

HELD TO ANSWER

L. G. Mitchell, charged with passing fictitious checks, appeared before Justice of the Peace C. E. Smith of Meadowlake Township, in Truckee, in a preliminary hearing. He was held to answer in the superior court. Mitchell allegedly passed "no funds" checks on the Riversde hotel here and was arrested a week ago in Reno. Bail was fixed at $2,000. He was remanded to the custody of the sheriff.

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AID TO CHINA

The average, run-of-the-mill citizen, noting that under the lease-lend program thus far China has received only two per cent of our total shipments, while Britain has been sent 70 per cent and Russia 20 per cent, has been inclined to question such disparity in the distribution of our sinews of war and to wonder when we would begin to give aid to our gallant ally across the Pacific.

We can't, of course, know all the problems of military necessity, nor the grand strategy of the United Nations command. Nor can we fully comprehend the difficulties involved in transporting war equipment to China, with the Burma Road closed and with air transport virtually the only means of sending in supplies. The magnitude of the task is illustrated by the fact that to carry five tons of cargo from the United States to Chungking, China, by air a cargo plane burns 35 tons of gasoline.

There are always seemingly insurmountable obstacles to be overcome in war, however, and unless we are to race a long, drawn-out, tragically costly fight in the Pacific, this nation must find means of getting an armada of planes into China and the fuel and parts to keep them in the air. We must get rifles and machine guns, artillery and tanks, into China—no matter what the cost, for whatever it may be it will be far less than having the courageous but now pitifully unequipped Chinese knocked out of the war. For more than five years China, almost bare-handed, has held Japan in check, but there are now increasing indications that the Japs intend to put on pressure in a desperate drive to rout Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's forces before we can come to their aid with a fleet of bombers and other modern battle equipment.

The base for knocking out Japan quickly and at the least cost in human lives in China. It is certainly to be hoped that we won't arrive at that base with "too little, too late," And we hope that Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, when she returns to China, will go back with the knowledge that the United States is fully aroused and that real aid is on the way to her gallant people.

WE MUST WIN QUICKLY

Addressing the American Society of Newspaper Editors, Economic Stabilization Chief James F. Byrnes made a statement with which all mothers and fathers, who have sons in the armed forces, will fervently agree. Declared Mr. Byrnes: "If I know the spirit of America, it is that we not only must win the war, but we must win the war quickly. I must differ with the people —who tell us that we can win the war in 1944 as well as 1943."

Then, reducing the situation to human terms, Stabilization Director Byrnes used this apt illustration:

"If any one of you saw your 19-year-old son in a fight which meant his death or the death of the enemy, you would not hold your punches in the belief that you could win tha fight tomorrow just as well as today. Your sons and your neighbors' sons are in that kind of fight!"

There would be no need for the Naval Committee of Congress to adopt a "work or fight" policy as a check-rein on absenteeism in war plants if the average war worker recognized that the day he took off to "se the town," or to recuperate from going 'round the town the night before, might cost the life of a son or brother for whom the war lasted just one day too long. Certainly, if every man on the home front had a picture of the death and anguish of the fighting front constantly before him, there would be no cause for the Navy Department to report to congress, as it just has, that "Monday morning sickness, meaning resting up from too strenuous pleasures the dya before," is a primary cause of wholesale absenteeism at the start of each work-week.

If we are determined to win this war quickly—as we all are, when we take time to think what a delayed victory may cost us—we will all buckle down to our jobs, stop pampering ourselves, stop grumbling and stop the needless lost hours in production which threaten the lives of our sons and brothers and husbands, who have the dirty end of this job and who are fighting a seven-day-week on a night- and-day schedule to save us from defeat and disaster. We must not only win! we must win quickly. We owe that to the boys whose lives hang in the balance.

BREAKING THE BLOCKADE

With government and military leaders vigorously combatting absenteeism, labor hoarding and manpower shortages which slow war work and delay production of vital equipment for our troops overseas, the slow-down on California railroad lines occasioned by the so-called Full Crew Law certainly calls for prompt and effective action by the legislature, when it reconvenes a few days hence.

The San Francisco Examiner, editorializing on the subject, sums up the case as follows:

"There is a make-work law on the statutes of California which has no serious consequences, except expense, in normal times, but which is now seriously interfering with the movement of war materials. This is the Full Crew Law, providing the number of brakemen required on freight trains. Under that act, a train cannot move unless it has the 'legal' number of trainmen, thre brakemen for a 50-car train, four for a 75-car train, and additional brakemen for trains operating on grades.

"With the shortage of manpower and the great increase in railway freight stimulated by the war, freight train service is severely handicapped. Trains are delayed daily because of this act. Pending in the legislature are two measures to rescind the operation of this act for the duration of the war, The act should be so amended.

"Now there is no need for a 'make-work' law. But there is need for 'make-time' legislation, for 'make-production' legislation, for 'move-freight' legislation. Such legislation should be passed as an emergency measure, and there should be no objection from labor to removing this serious blockade on the road to victory."

That is a correct appraisal. This law is as out of keeping with war-time needs as a leaf-raking WPA project. We can't afford a slow-down on our railroads. The lives of American fighting men are just as dependent on fast transportation of materials as they are on fast production. It's time to break that blockade!

CHINA'S FIRST LADY BFORE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, D. C. —(Soundphoto)—Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek is shown addressing congress last Thursday, when she delivered a stirring appeal for American aid to the fighting Chinese. Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House, is shown seated as China's First Lady is speaking.

POLITICALLY SPEAKING

By JOHN W. DUNLAP

SACRAMENTO, March 4.—(UP)—When Governor Warren was elected, many labor advocates felt their cause was jeopardized because pro-labor Governor Olson had been defeated. They figured a republican like Warren would do their side no good.

In two particular appointments, however, the new governor has gone the whole way with labor. One was John F. Dalton, new labor commissioner and the other was Paul Scharrenberg, director of industrial elations. Both are high officials in the American Federation of Labor.

Warren feels that the running of a labor department should be in the hands of a labor official who knows the problems of the working man. In Dalton, he chose a man who has been president of the Los Angeles Typographical Union for 18 years and former president two terms of the California State Federation of Labor. But Dalton is not just a one track labor man—he has been a member of the Los Angeles board of education for eight years, and president twice, is a national committeman of the Boy Scouts, serves on the executive commiteee of the Los Angeles Community Chest, and is a Democrat.

Scharrenberg is a veteran of California labor, dating back to the Hiram Johnson era, and was executive secretary of the state federation of labor for many years. He went to Washington as an aide to William Green in the national AFL office, which he resigned to enter the Warren cabinet. Warren not only gave labor this chairmanship of a major department but Scharrenberg joined two other friendly labor members on the state industrial accident commission. The other two were Alexander Watchman, San Francisco union official and former state senator J. C. Garrison of Modesto, an Olson henchman in the legislature who was appointed after everyone thought he would land on the railroad commission, his first choice.

Warren helped, also, in ironing out diferences among legislators on relaxing the women's eight hour law, and signed the compromise bill when it came to his desk.

TOMATO GROWERS URGED TO PLANT

BERKELEY, March 4.—On learning that the contracted acreage for canning tomatoes is behind what it was a year ago, the California USDA War Board today issued an urgent plea to speed up planting operations regardless of delay in contracts.

"Tomatoes are 'way up' near the top in the priority list of essential crops and producers will be given prefential consideration for their proluction needs," Dave Davidson, chairman of the board said today. "Price support of $25 to $27 per ton roadside delivery should stimulate good production. Indications are that tomato plants are more plentiul this year than last when the Japanese evacuation threatened to reduce available supplies. But above all, the United Nations need tomatoes and tomato products and this means that California growers should immediately proceed with farm operations to produce a maximum crop", Davidson continued.

Canners and growers were assured that the state USDA War Board is lending its wholehearted support to an early settlement of the difficulties which have beset the canners this year. It is expected that canners problems will be ironed out soon and in the meantime, growers should not slow down putting in their crop. Any hesitation on the part of canners to contract for tomatoes should not be interpreted as a sign that tomatoes are not needed. The need exists and growers who have land, experience, and machinery for tomato production, and who can produce at the prices offered, should plan to plant tomatoes.

HOME FROM SHIP YARDS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weege, who have been in the bay area for several months returned to Nevada City the first of the week to reside. He has been engaged in war work. Mrs. Weege's nephew, Billie Held, welder in the ship yards in the bay district, accompanied them here for a short visit. His aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs Carl Johnson, and sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Walter Danzer, are all living in the bay district now.

Miss Lily Snell of Reno, Nev., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hitchens this week. She is a former resident and is enjoying meeting many friends.

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the war against the Axis in Europe is far greater than the war that ended in 1918. But gradually as one analyses the various factors, in today's struggle, it begins to fall into the same general pattern as world war No. 1. Germany is slowly being strangled to death, as regards food, materials, and the all essential oil, which is a comparatively new and vital factor. The end may not come this year, as many predict it will not but we do believe the end will be clearly indicted this summer or in the fall.

The other war, the Pacific war in which we and the English are fighting the Japs, will probably have to wait, unless China shows greater signs of cracking than it has. The president speaks of decisive blows against Japan itself, and they may come, But to any thoughtful observer, standing on the side lines, it would seem imperative that the Axis in Europe be broken first. After that, the combined might of Britain and the United States in the Pacifis would soon spell the end of the Japanese nightmare. On the whole it seems reasonable to expect the end of both wars, or, if you like, the end of both phases of one war, early in 1944.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Christian Science Society of Nevada City holds services at 114 Boulder street every Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Sunday's lesson subject "Man."

Testimonial meeting first Wednesday of each month at 8 p. m. Reading room at 117 Broad street is open daily from 2 to 4 p. m. except Sunday and holidays.

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CONGRESS HITS AT GOVERNMENT MAN HOARDING

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

With all the heroic measures which are being proposed by Washington ofifcials to deal with the manpower problem—many of them palpably impractical and unworkable and some of them as dangerous as the problem they seek to relieve—it is high time that congress tackled the job in earnest of trimming the sails of our swollen bureaucracy and ridding federal payrolls of hundreds of thousands of thumb-twiddlers and supernumaries who ought to be work ing in production or fighting on the firing line.

The new congress, forttunately for the welfare of the country, is already probing the hoarding of manpower by the federal government and plain intimations have come from congressional leaders that they will make an all out drive to cut the government's personnel down to where it belongs if they receive the support of the people back home in the projected house cleaning.

How vitally important it is that congress be given the "go ahead" signal from the American people, in a fight to prevent this continued waste of manpower is best evidenced by the fact that Senator Harry F. Bryd of Virginia, chairman of the Joint Congressional Economy Committee, has estimated that one third of the present army of 3,000,000 civilian employes on the federal rolls could be released for essential wartime activities without in any way impairing necessary government services.

That would mean 1,000,000 more men and women available for service in production and in the armed forces—almost as great an army as that which we have sent overeas thus far to take Guadalcanal, to strengthen Pearl Harbor, to protect Australia from invasion, to whip Rommel in North Africa, to help fortify Britain, to hold Iceland and to prepare for the invasion of Europe.

Said Senator Byrd, in reporting on the swollen bureaucracy which his committee uncovered:

"In time of peril and war, the government should be an example to its citizens, doing those things essential to our victory and to preservation of our fundamental institutions. But it is now obvious that the administration cannot be depended upon to take the necessary measures to streamline our government to save manpower and promote efficiency.

"While the task for congress will be most dificult, let us remember that congress still has control of the purse. If the demand of the people is sufficiently imperative, and I believe it is, congress can take steps to curb these abuses that are now threatening the security of our nation.

"The thumb-twiddlers in our government service should be given some other work to do."

Then, Senator Byrd made this unqualified declaration regarding the extent of wasted manpower in the federal service:

"Today the federal government is the chief offender in the waste and hoarding of manpower in America. Nothing in all history is in any way comparable to the waste and inefficiency that now exist in the vast number of bureaus in our government.

"In time of peace, the waste of public funds is to be condemned severely, but in time of war the waste of manpower by the government in non-essential activities, as well as the waste of public funds, is inexcusable and criminal."

A special presidential committee, appointed by President Roosevelt to report on over-loading of government payrolls after congress has turned the spotlight on the question, has likewise reported that thousands of able-bodied men at government desks can be released to the armed forces if deferments are strictly limited to holders of essential jobs and if needless and overlapping postions are eliminated. This committee, while declaring that the federal service "is not a draft evader's paradise, as has been loosely charged", did conclude its report with the recommendation that only work clearly essential to the war effort or necessary to maintain the indispensable civilian government services should be the test for draft deferment.

The average man does not think so poorly of his government as to believe it has knowingly become a haven for draft evaders. But the average American has, we believe, reluctantly concluded that the government has continued to countenance payroll padding and politics as usual in its bureaucratic agencies at a time when wasting or hoarding of manpower simply cannot be tolerated.

If you want to do your part in solving this phase of the manpower problem, perhaps it's time to write a letter to your congressman!

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Governor and Family to Stick by the "Mansion"

SACRAMENTO, March 4. — Governor Warren had a difficult choice to make when Sacramento civic officials offered him a free modern mansion for the war's duration to save his family from moving into the state's outmoded 65 year old governors house. But Warren thanked the businessmen and said his family would take the state'e mansion and be "happy and contented there."

Warren conceded that the old house had deteriorated badly in recent years and had to be extensively rewired, repainted, repaired, repainted, repapered and fixed up before his wife and five children could move in. And there's no arguing the house is surrounded by filling stations, heavy traffic and the city's older houses.

Even so, Warren tactfully suggested the state would find it good business to consider including the new mansion in any post war construction program worked out because the old house will take more and more expense as each year goes by. The legislature has been passing the buck so long that it may take a war to get some action. Many people consider it a disgrace to any governor to live in such a firetrap but the Warren's aren't complaining.

REHABILITATION LAW PROPOSED FOR CONVICTS

By JOHN W. DUNLAP

SACRAMENTO, March 4. — Governor Warren believes there is a parallel between aliens from other countries who are given the advantages of citizenship and Americans who go to prison and seek rehabilitation.

The big difference, however, is that every assistance is given the alien to become a citizen but only a "haphazard" procedure to help those who have made mistakes to get back their citizenship. So the governor is determined to do something about it.

He asked Senator Charles Deuel of Chico to prepare legislation on a new large-scale rehabilitation program to encourage former convicts to go straight and become useful citizens. Attorney General Robert Kenny is going to prepare an urgency clause to permit the measure, if passed by the legislature, to go into immediate effect.

Both Warren and Kenny have a broad background of experience upon which to push the new plan. Warren was a prostcuting district attorney for many years, then served as attorney general and as such, on the advisory pardon board and board of criminal investigation and identification. Kenny is a former newspaerman, attorney, superior judge, and now attorney general.

From long study, Warren has some positive ideas on penal matters and his proposed pardon reform is a good example. He proposes to give every convict, upon his release from prison, the right to file notice with his sheriff, district attorney or police chief of his intention to work for restoration of his citnzenship, much as an alien takes out his first citizenship papers.

Then the convict would live under judicial supervision for a certain length of time before going before a superior judge and seeking a certificate of rehabilitation. Issuance would send a recommendation to the governor for a pardon, which Warren said he personally would be glad to grant.

There would be no fees permitted and "any man, even though he did not have a friend or a dollar, would receive his citizenship if he had the will to live the right way", Warren said.

Another thing that Warren disapproves is last minute reprieves for men condemned to die. He will insist upon a full investigation of each case so that all doubt is removed before the man goes to the death chamber. He said a man taken to the gas chamber two or three times before he is executed suffers unnecessary and in humane agony.

Supervisors Grant Aid To Truckee Sanitary Dist.

Recognizing that heavy rains this season had aggravated a bad situation in the Truckee Sanitary District, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors at its monthly meeting appropriated $1,300 for improvements in the system. The board also granted a $30 a month rental charge to the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce for use of its rooms by the several ratioping panels of that city.

Evangeline Charter Enjoys Good Program

After a business session Evangeline Chapter, O. E. S. enjoyed a delightful program prepared by Mrs. Doris Foley, district deputy grand matron of this district. A South American theme was carried out in the program, dinner and decorations, with her fifth grade pupils winning special praise for a beautiful dance. Each child was dressed in southern costume. Past matrons and past patrons were specially honored. A message wes received from Mrs. Clyde Gwin who stated they had just moved to Big Bend from Ft. Miley. Mr. Gwin is a past patron of the chapter and is away from his duties with the Tahoe National Forest due to ill health.

WHOSE WAR IS IT?

There are some strange characters at large in California. They slaughter cattle in pastures by night. They "kninap" calves in fast trucks. They burn up Uncle Sam's rubber transporting themselves for pure pleasure. They buy up commodities that are reported scarce.

To steal America's food, squander America's rubber, hoard, waste, "get by" these are ways they put pleasure and profit ahead of war. Such character would probably get mad if you called them "traitor." They may even consider themselves loyal American citizens. Whose war do you suppose they think this is?

FAULTY PAINTING CHARGE DISMISSED

The case aganst David McMillan, arrested in Sacramento on a charge of petty larceny, was dismissed here Tuesday. It was alleged that McMillan, equipped with a spraying machine, painted a barn in Grass Valley. When the rains came the paint washed off, according to the complaint. A relative of McMillan paid the claim of $55 against him.

JAMES FORT PASSES

James Fort, a painter who had resided in Grass Valley for the past years, passed away at the Nevada County Hospital Tuesday morning. He was 68 years of age and a native of Pennsylvania. He had no known relatives. Funeral arrangements are in charge of the Holmes Funeral Home of this city.

Merchant Marine Hero Sentenced a Draft Evader

ST. LOUIS, [illegible] his draft [illegible] because he [illegible] Krafft (shown in photo) of St. Louis has been sentenced to four years in the penitentiary as a draft evader. Krafft, who [illegible] shorter than another since a fall in childhood, has been torpedoed twice during the past year and a half. Another time torpedoes failed to sink the tanker he was on and the crew went back and brought the ship to port. While in a North African port recently he was wounded by shrapnel.

Man days lost due to strikes in San Francisco totaled only 7952 in 1942 compared with 305,247 in 1941, despite the huge additions to the labor force.

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GRASS VALLEY TAKES HONOR IN AIR RAID TEST

Grass Valley had her simulated air attack Tuesday night as outlined in test form by the California State Council of Defense and conducted under the expert eye of a dozen or more state officials as well as local Civilian Defense heads.

There was no siren alarm or blackout. Everything was timed for the seven o'clock hour and which marked sixty minutes full of civilian defense war-time activities, wherein the complete resources of the defense system, personnel, hospitals, emergency dressing stations, ambulances, fire trucks, special cars, police and highway equipment, were thrown into the well plotted campaign of action.

The city hall was the center of humming activity during the entire period—and half houh of so previous to the 7 o'clock "bombing" when advance corps appeared for their detailed instruction.

Winking red lights of fire trucks and police cars served to lend an air of excitement at the "control center" from which all incidents emanated and, consequently, terminated.

Over twenty "incidents" comparable to actual war time happenings in bomb barraged towns, were planned in advance. These included action for every group and type of Civilian Defense worker, from air raid wardens to emergency casualties stations. And all were so arranged as to include practically every portion of the city, favoring wide separation of points.

At the meeting following the test all the state officials were enthusiastic in their praise of the excelldent results of the test and proclaimed the event as one of the best they have ever experienced in their tour of the state during the past eighteen months. The checkers reported the action of the wardens, time of 'phone calls and arrival of equipment and the officials expressed surprise at the quick action obtained. Very few criticisms were made of minor delays and mistakes and the chairman expressed himself very emphatically at the close of the meeting by saying "the people of Grass Valley should be very proud of the way the test was handled.

YOUR VICTORY GARDEN

By L. B. LAGESON
Agricultural Commissioner

THE CULTURE OF EGGPLANT

Eggplant is extremely sensitive to the condition under which it is grown. Distinctly a warm weather plant, it demands a growing season of from 100 to 140 days with high average day and night temperatures. The soil, also, must be well warmed up before eggplant can be safely set outdoors. Soil for the eggplant must be extremely fertile, but it is not wise to use fresh manure or large quantities of commercial feltilizer. Garden soil that is very fertile as the result of long continued good treatment is best for eggplant. Under such conditions a few eggplants will yield a large number of fruits. The seeds of eggplant should be sown indoors at the same time that early tomatoes and peppers are planted. The small plants should be transplanted to pots and kept in the house until the weather is quite warm. They should be set about 3 feet apart each way. Five or six plants will be sufficient to supply the average family. Black Beauty and Florida Highbush are good varieties.

Freezing of Canned Meats Affects Restaurant Meals

The food rationing board of Nevada City has received the following instructions regarding canned meat and fish. It pertains to serving these foods in hotels, or restaurants.

Freezing of all canned meat and fish prohibits the use of these products by any institution serving meals for a charge.

General ration order No. 5, effective now makes no provision for allotments of either sugar or processed food for persons or institutional establishments that do not serve meals. This order eliminates both sugar and processed food from all saloons and bars that do not serve meals.

In San Francisco, 370,000 persons earn $2,000,000 daily.

Farm WAR NEWS

FROM NEVADA COUNTY USDA WAR BOARD

FEED PROGRAM DISCONTINUED

Announcement of the discontinuance of the government feed wheat program ends, at least temporarily, an important source of feed to Placer county farmers and poultrymen. Since the beginning of the program in January, 1942, more than 160 tons had been sold in the county, either directly in carload lots to users or through dealers. Up to the end of January of this year, a total of nearly 9,000,000 bushels has been used in California.

The program was suspended because the stock of 125,000,000 bushels, authorized by congress for sale as feed at prices comparing favorably with other feed grains, has been nearly exhausted. Orders made before February 17 will be filled, but no more can be taken unless additional supplies are made available.

McCREA JOINS USDA

Movie Star Joel McCrea, who operates a 3,000 acre cattle ranch in Ventura county, has ofered his services to the Department of Agriculture in helping to carry out the wartime food production program. Definite plans for utilizing his services are now being developed in Washington.

McCrea, who was a practical cattleman long before he became an actor, has maintained an active interest in agriculture and has vounteered to forego his movie career for the duration in order to assist in working out war food production problems.

BROWN ONIONS WANTED

A call for 3,500 acres of Australian brown onions in California has been issued by Food Distribution Administration, who will purchase the entire crop for military and lend-lease uses. To stimulate production, OPA has lifted price ceilings for this variety and FDA will buy the crop at prices 35 cents per 50 pound bag above prices prevailing for northern grown varieties, which will not be less than $1.60 per bag.

Production of this variety, which has desirable shipping qualities, is confined mostly to the costal valleys of the state.

MORE DEHYDRATION

Dehydration of vegetables is a food industry which has made a phenomenal increase since the beginning of the war. Due to research made at the Department of Agriculture research laboratory at Albany and elsewhere, new techniques for removing the water from vegetables have been developed, which effectively preserve both flavor and food values. In less than a year, 187 additional plants, with an estimated capacity of 200,000,000 pounds annually have been approved.

RATIONING AUTHORITY CLARIFIED

Under a directive issued by Food Administrator Wickare, OPA will be responsible for details of consumer rationing, including establishing the point-value of foods to be rationed through Ration Book Two. Responsibility of the Department of Agricltture will end with the production of food and establishing general conditions of rationing.

BITS AND PIECES

Farmers are now able to get a high preference rating from WPB on welding rods and electrodes, but the value of the material must not exceed $25. Allocation of steel for farm machinery for the second quarter of the year will make possible manufacture at approximately 40 per cent of 1940 production. Don't forget that February 28 is the deadline for tire inspection on farm trucks and other vehicles under certfficates of war necessity.

Nevada County Aged Number 505 Persons

In Nevada county during January 505 people received aid to the needy aged compared with 503 who received such aid during January, 1942, California Taxpayers association stated today, making public its study of relief and current discussions of expansion of the aged aid program in California.

During January, $18,503 was paid out in aid to the needy aged in the county, compared with $18.521 for the same month in 1942, the association found. For the twelve months ending January 31, 1943 a total of $223,026 was paid out in aid to the aged alone in the county. About half this aid comes from federal funds, one fourth from the state, and one fourth from the county, the association stated.

Mrs. Tom Riddle and sister, Miss Ada Pearce, of Sacramento spent the past week end in Nevada City visiting their sister, Mrs. J. J. Jackson and family.

FEED WHEAT SALES STOPPED FOR PRESENT

BERKELEY, March 4.—Discontinuation, at least temporarily, of the Department of Agriculture's program of making government owned wheat available to farmers as livestock and poultry feed, was announced here today by Dave Davidson, state AAA committee chairman. The move was made necessary because the stock of 125,000,000 bushels authorized for sale as feed by congress has been almost exhausted.

Davidson stated that orders placed with county AAA committees prior to February 17 will be filled, but no further orders can be taken, unless congressional authorization of sale of other government stocks is given.

Under the feed wheat program, stocks of wheat acquired by the government through commodity loans was sold to farmers and ranchers as feed for livestock and poultry at prices comparable with other feed grains. Sales to farmers or dealers were made through county AAA committees.

1942 LICENSE COVER STRIPS FOR SCRAP PILE

Motor vehicle owners of Nevada county were urged today by the Department of Motor Vehicles to donate their 1942 "cover strip" license plates to the national scrap pile as soon as they have received their 1943 "V" tabs.

In fastening the tabs to the 1941 plate now on the car, Director Gordon H. Garland said the cover strip should be removed inasmuch as the display of the strip is not required as evidence of registration. He said the nearly 3,000,000 sets of cover plates in the state would make a substantial contribution to the scrap needed for war purposes.

Garland reiterated his plea that motorists refrain from writing letters of inquiry to the department about their license tabs if they do not receive them promptly. He said only a small quantity of the tabs thus far have been delivered by the manufacturer and that it probably will be well into May before all of them have been mailed out to the owners.

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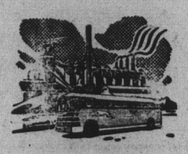
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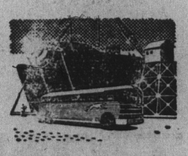
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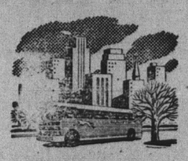
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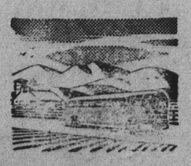
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